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16 OCT 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD

SUBJECT: Applicant Drug Use

1. We have agreed that while each applicant case must be considered as a separate case the following standards generally will be applied in evaluating suitability of applicants who use drugs:

a. Any reported or found use of hard drugs, i.e., the opiates, LSD, mescaline, amphetamine, etc., will be grounds for automatic disqualification.

b. There are degrees of marijuana use which should be treated as follows:

(1.) The applicant who reports in the appropriate item on the Personal History Statement that he has used marijuana in the past essentially in an experimental way will, other things being equal, be accepted for processing. He will, however, be warned by Security during the EOD process that repeated use after entrance on duty will result in his dismissal.

(2.) The applicant whose statement on the PHS reflects continued and habitual use of marijuana will be disqualified.

(3.) The applicant whose statement indicates a circumstance someplace between an experimental use and a habitual use will be asked by me by letter to describe in greater detail the circumstances and conditions, on the basis of the response to which I will decide for or against processing.

(4.) If an individual is found to have used marijuana subsequent to submitting a formal application, the Applicant Review Panel will conduct a formal and complete evaluation of his case. Referral to the Offices of Personnel, Security, and Medical Services after entrance on duty for a suitable warning or counseling will vary according to the circumstances of the case. In this instance, the Panel will be expected to advise the Director of Personnel on the type, if any, of admonition that appears to be required. For instance, the individual may after EOD be advised

29 September 1970

MEMORANDUM FOR: Director of Personnel

Bob:

I would like to suggest that the individual who is found to have used marijuana after having made formal application to the Agency would be referred to the Personnel-Security-Medical Panel for a total evaluation. The amount of referral to the respective offices would vary according to the circumstances of the case. Appropriate warnings and follow-up could follow in those cases approved for EOD.

  
JOHN R. TIETJEN, M. D.  
Director of Medical Services

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6 March 1974

MEMORANDUM FOR: Chief, Clearance Division



SUBJECT : Drug Usage

1. Attached hereto is the fourth annual report on drug usage by applicants, employees, and employee's dependents, covering Fiscal Year 1973, as garnered from Clearance Division records. As will be noted, the statistics from the three previous reports for FY-72, FY-71 and FY-70 are repeated in this report for comparison.

2. As was true in each of the previous years it is evident that on a real and percentage basis, we are getting more incidents of drug usage by applicants and are disapproving more people for drug use each year. The one section of this years report that is dramatically different from previous years is the section dealing with use by employees - this was due to the extensive investigation in late 1972 generated by an employee who confessed to using drugs and implicated others. Hopefully, this sort of thing will not happen again.

3. As in the previous years, some of this information may be of interest only to the Office of Security while some may be of interest to other offices, especially Office of Medical Services. The portions of interest to Office of Medical Services or any other component can be extracted and forwarded as deemed appropriate.

4. It is my intention, if still in Clearance Division, after compiling next year's report, which will be the fifth, to then select certain sections from these reports and put together a five-year report which should be very informative and reveal just how this drug issue has impacted on the Clearance Division and the Agency as a whole.

  
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Thank you for letting me peruse the Office of Security statistics for the past fiscal years. Certainly, an increase in usage has been noted and hopefully the Office of Security will continue to follow these cases so that information can be gathered which will demonstrate the degree to which this group stands apart from or merges with the general Agency population. I would hope that the Office of Security is also developing information about the experience of other agencies and institutions which would help to give them data upon which they can base their position from the security point of view.

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